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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 2134**

PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 04329.2371

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Motoji OOMORI et al.) Group Art Unit: 2134
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Application No.: 09/652,157) Examiner: SIMITOSKI, Michael J.
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Filed: August 31, 2000) Confirmation No.: 2617
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For: EXTENDED KEY GENERATOR,) **Mail Stop AF**
ENCIPHERMENT/DECIPHERMENT)
UNIT, EXTENDED KEY)
GENERATION METHOD, AND)
STORAGE MEDIUM)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed August 24, 2004, the period for response extending through November 24, 2004, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants propose that this application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks follow the amendment section of this paper.